

1. **THE STATE OF TEXAS,**
 2. **COUNTY OF DALLAS,**
 3. **do hereby certify that**
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 5. **the true and correct copy**
 6. **of the original as the same**
 7. **appears on the records of**
 8. **this office.**
 9. **WITNESSED my hand and**
 10. **the seal of this office this**
 11. **10th day of May, 1906.**
 12. **CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT.**

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on THURSDAY, March 29th 1923, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, City Hall, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1922.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To transact any General Business.

By Order,
D. K. BLAIR,
Secretary.

Hongkong, March 19, 1923.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

MATRICULATION AND SENIOR LOCAL EXAMINATIONS, JUNE, 1923.

THE above Examinations will be held in the week commencing MONDAY, June 11th, 1923.

Entry Forms together with the statutory fee of \$15. H. K. Currency should reach me not later than April 1st.

No scholarships will be awarded at this Examination.

Copies of old Examination Papers, including those set in November, 1922, can be obtained from my office, price \$1. per set.

N. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH,
Registrar.

Hongkong, March 20, 1923.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

THE ANNUAL SPORTS will be held at 1.30 p.m. on THURSDAY, 29th March, at Happy Valley. Prizes will be distributed by LADY STUBBS at 5.30 p.m.—There will be an Old Boys' Race of 220 yards. All Old Boys are cordially invited to join.

Hongkong, March 20, 1923.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANT TEACHERS (European) are required at once. Applications, with particulars of qualifications and experience, and copies of testimonials should be addressed to:

THE HON. DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION
Education Department,
Hongkong, March 24, 1923.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

SHIELD FINALS

(Club Ground),
Happy Valley.

SATURDAY, 31st March.

JUNIOR

S.C.A. v. King's, Kick off 3 p.m.

SENIOR

Kowloon v. King's, Kick off 4.40 p.m.

Stands \$1 and 50 cents.

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IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OFFICE.

FASTENING HOLIDAYS.

FASTENING OFFICE will be entirely closed on GOOD FRIDAY, 30th March. It will be closed for all purposes till 10 a.m. on SATURDAY, 31st March and MONDAY, 1st April. Licensed Warehouse will be entirely closed on those dates.

J. D. LLOYD, Superintendent,
Imports and Exports.

Hongkong, March 24, 1923.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be closed for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 30th and 31st instant and 2nd proximo.

Hongkong, March 26, 1923.

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THIS PROSPECTUS HAS BEEN DULY FILED WITH THE REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES.

The Subscription List will open on SATURDAY, the 24th day of March 1923 and close on or before SATURDAY, the 31st day of March 1923.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

Incorporated under the Companies Ordinance 1911-1921.

Capital \$2,000,000 divided into 200,000 shares of \$10 each.

Of the above shares 100,000 have already been subscribed for cash by the Directors and their friends. On these \$2.50 per share will be paid on application and the balance when called up on the same basis as the remaining capital.

In addition the Directors are allotting 30,000 shares credited as fully paid up under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon referred to in paragraph (a) hereof.

The remaining 70,000 shares ranking equally with those already subscribed are now offered for public subscription payable as to \$2.50 per share on application. The balance due on each share, viz., \$7.50 will be called up on subsequent demand as and when further capital is required.

Any of the shares now offered to the public which may not be subscribed for will be allotted in such manner as the Directors shall determine.

DIRECTORS.

JOHN SCOTT HARSTON,

1, Des Vaux Road Central,
Hongkong.

Solicitor & Notary Public.

Hon. Mr. CHOW SHOU SON,

Bank of East Asia, Ltd.,
Des Vaux Road Central,
Hongkong.

Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council.

JAMES HARPER TAGGART,

Managing Director,
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.,
Powell's Building,
Hongkong.

The Very Rev. FATHER LEON ROBERT,

Procureur General des Missions Etrangères,
1, Battery Path,
Hongkong.

ARTHUR RYLANDS LOWE,

3, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.

Chartered Accountant.

FRANK MALCOLM LANE CRAWFORD,

Managing Director,
Lane Crawford Ltd.,
Chater Road,
Hongkong.

FUNG TAT HANG,

Comptroller,
Hongkong Hotel,
Hongkong.

PETER KINGSON KWOK,

Bank of East Asia, Ltd.,
Des Vaux Road Central,
Hongkong.

Merchant.

BANKERS.

The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

AUDITORS.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,

Alexandra Building,
Des Vaux Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong.

SOLICITORS.

Messrs. DEACON, HARSTON & SHENTON,

1, Des Vaux Road Central,
Victoria, Hongkong.

REGISTERED OFFICE OF THE COMPANY.

Powell's Building (2nd floor),
Des Vaux Road Central,
Hongkong.

SECRETARY OF THE COMPANY (pro tem).

T. A. BARRY,

Powell's Building, (2nd floor),
Des Vaux Road Central,
Hongkong.

PROSPECTUS.

(a) This Company has been formed principally to acquire by purchase (under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon hereinafter mentioned) from Lane Crawford Limited (whose Registered Office is situated at Ice House Street, Victoria, Hongkong) and develop by building thereon the land registered in the Land Office as Section 4 of Marine Lot No. 7 and commonly known as "The Wiseman Site," situated in Des Vaux Road Central Hongkong. The purchase price of the land is \$1,000,000, \$300,000 of which will be satisfied by the issue to Lane Crawford Limited of 30,000 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up. Of the remainder of the purchase price, \$148,781.50 will be paid in cash, and the balance of \$551,218.50 will be satisfied by the taking over by the Company from Lane Crawford Limited of the Mortgage (repayable on the 30th April 1927) for that amount now subsisting on the property in favour of Lane Crawford Limited and carrying interest at 5% per annum.

In addition to the purchase price payable as above, the Company will under the Option hereinafter mentioned, pay the brokerage of one per cent. on the purchase price amounting to \$10,000 which is referred to in paragraph (b) hereof, and also indemnify Lane Crawford Limited to the extent of \$20,394.30 in respect of the Plans and Specifications referred to in paragraph (c) hereof.

The Option for the acquisition of such land bears date the 5th day of March 1923 and is made between Lane Crawford Limited as Vendors of the one part and Mr. W. E. R. Shenton, one of the partners in the firm of Deacon, Harston and Shenton the above mentioned Solicitors to the Company, as Trustees for the Company of the other part. A copy of this Option and the subsequent correspondence thereon can be inspected at the office of the said Solicitors to the Company (No. 1 Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong) at any time during business hours. A copy of the Mortgage above referred to which bears date the 5th day of May 1922 and is for a term of five years from that date can also be inspected at the same place and time.

There are no other Contracts relating to the land to be acquired by the Company.

On the land to be acquired as above by the Company it is proposed to erect a modern seven-story building with a Basement, so as to afford accommodation for Stores, Sheds, a Sales Depot, Vans and First-class Office Rooms, particularly suitable to professional people. The Site is considered to be especially favorable for such a building, being in the centre of the business part of the City and close to the Hotels, Banks and shipping Offices, etc.

(b) In respect of the above mentioned Option a brokerage of 1% on the purchase price of \$1,000,000 amounting to \$10,000 is payable by the Company to the Solicitors to the Company in respect of the land to be acquired by the Company.

(c) Under the last mentioned Option the Company are to be under the obligation of indemnifying Lane Crawford Limited to the extent of \$20,394.30, in respect of the Plans and Specifications referred to in paragraph (c) hereof, and also indemnifying Lane Crawford Limited at the time proposed for the land to be acquired by the Company.

(d) No other commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

HONGKONG REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above named Company is issuing a Prospectus dated the 23rd day of March, 1923, a copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of Companies, inviting subscriptions at par for 70,000 shares of \$10 each payable as to \$2.50 per share on application and as to the balance on subsequent demand as and when further capital is required.

The subscription list is now open and will be closed on or before the 31st day of March 1923.

Copies of the Prospectus and forms of Application can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and from the temporary offices of the Company in Powell's Building, (Second Floor), Des Vaux Road Central, Hongkong.

This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and application will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and in the form issued therewith.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1923.

T. A. BARRY,
Powell's Building,
Hongkong,
Secretary (pro tem.)

GOOD FRIDAY at 9.15 p.m.

ORATORIO SELECTIONS

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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NOTICE.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE COMPANY, LTD. beg to advise their numerous patrons that their various Departments will be open during the EASTER HOLIDAYS as follows:—

DAIRY DEPARTMENT.

FRIDAY, 30th March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
SATURDAY, 31st "	6 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, 1st April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
MONDAY, 2nd "	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

BUTCHERY DEPARTMENT.

FRIDAY, 30th March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 6 a.m. to 1 p.m.
SATURDAY, 31st "	6 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, 1st April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m.
MONDAY, 2nd "	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ICE DEPOT.

FRIDAY, 30th March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
SATURDAY, 31st March	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. 2.30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, 1st April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
MONDAY, 2nd April	6 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

(a) The Company is to pay all preliminary expenses of and incident to the formation and floating of the Company, down to the time when it becomes entitled to commence business and also all costs and expenses in connection with the acquisition of the land and the assignment thereof to the Company, the estimated amount whereof is \$20,000.

(f) The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is seven shares.

(g) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director is to be the holding of \$1,000 shares in the Company and that the remuneration of each of the Directors is to be \$1,000 per annum.

(h) Directors are interested in the promotion of the Company as follows:—

(1) As to Mr. Harston in respect of the brokerage mentioned in clause (b).

(2) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe, Crawford and Harston to the extent that they are Directors of Lane Crawford Limited who are the Vendors of the land to be acquired by the Company.

(3) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe and Harston to the extent that they are Directors in the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited.

(4) As to the Rev. Father Robert to the extent that he is a Director of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited, the Vendors aforesaid.

(5) As to all the Directors other than The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Fung Tat Hang and Peter Kingson Kwok that they or some of them are Directors of other Companies with whom the Company may do business.

(6) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the above mentioned offices of the Solicitors to the Company at any time during business hours.

(7) A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is annexed to the Prospectus and forms part of it.

(8) Application for shares should be made upon the Form attached to the Prospectus, which should be detached therefrom and sent to the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) together with a remittance of \$2.50, to be retained by the Company.

(9) Where no allotment is made the deposit will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, a proportionate amount of the deposit will be returned.

(10) Proposals for shares may be made in the form of Application attached to the Prospectus, which should be detached therefrom and sent to the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) together with a remittance of \$2.50, to be retained by the Company.

Dated the 24th day of March 1923.

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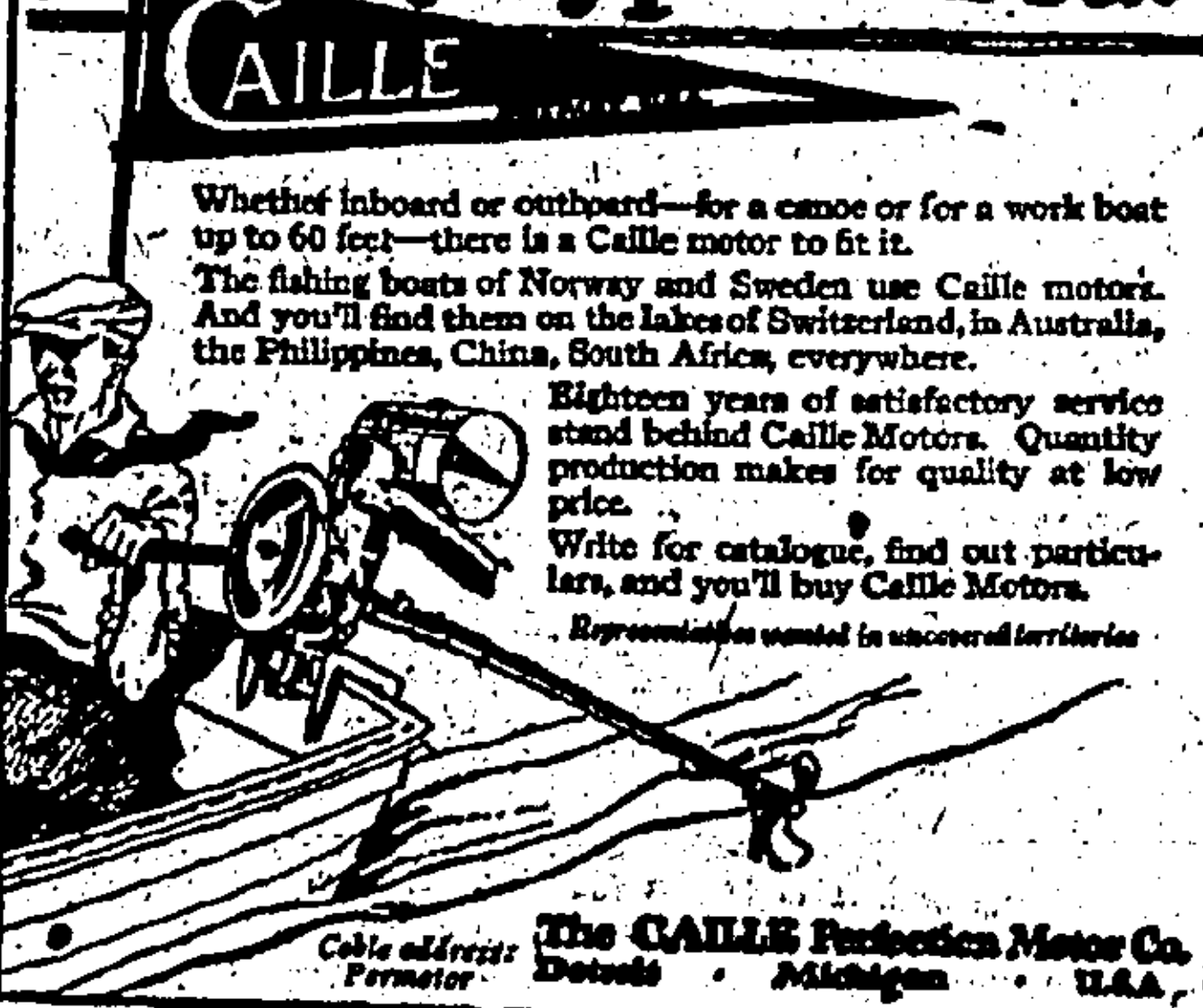
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DEATH.

PHILIPPO.—On March 17,
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40 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 1934.

HOPE DEFERRED—

Cynically inclined one might
derive certain grim amusement
from this morning's cable about the
Banque Industrielle de Chine.
After dwelling upon the latest
scandal connected with this
unhappy concern, it mentions,
almost casually, that a debate is
impending regarding "the
tardiness of the judicial proceed-
ings respecting the Banque's
affairs." Thus once more does the
luckless depositor become a pawn
in the exciting game of high
politics, an invidious position he
has mostly occupied ever since the
Banque was formed. History has
told how the Banque from the very
outset incurred bitter enmity of
older rivals; how the Chinese Gov-
ernment increased this enmity by
encouraging the "interloper" which
stood outside the "menacing Con-
sortium"; how eventually when the
crash came the depositor's rights
were almost completely ignored in
the scandal which was promptly
raised to involve many high per-
sonages. Hongkong has seen the
result of these political intrigues in
the many conflicting cables from
Paris, this one reporting some new
salvage scheme, that one some new
political dead-lock.

One by one the salvage
schemes failed. More and more
the Banque's fate became a political
issue. Then, with the Washington
Conference over, the Government
finally tackled the problem, and a
bill was introduced into the Cham-
ber of Deputies to reconstitute the
Banque in order to restore France's dam-
aged credit and winning prestige
in the Far East. Just when this
bill had apparently exhausted the

number of committees through
which it could possibly pass, the
scandal, recalling the Panama
affair, was scented and a debate
the whole matter became the sub-
ject of a bitter inquiry which result-
ed in disgrace for Philippe
Berthelot, once powerful head of
the Quai d'Orsay, and jail for
Pernotte, the Banque's former Chief
Director. More salvage schemes
followed and hopes were again
raised. On one occasion it was
even definitely announced that the
Banque would reopen on a given
date. That day soon came and with
it yet another disappointment.

Finally, however, a scheme was
devised which promised definite
success. This plan provided for a
specially formed Societe Francaise
de Gerance de la Banque Indus-
trielle de Chine to take over the
Banque's affairs, and with the use
of France's share of the Boxer
Indemnity, to fulfil "the double
object of (1) pursuing the recovery
of the assets of the Banque Indus-
trielle de Chine with a view to
settling the claims of the Banque's
creditors and (2) continuing on
behalf of the Banque Industrielle
de Chine all banking operations,
especially in the Far East." This
scheme was approved at an ex-
traordinary meeting of share-
holders held in Paris on August
12, and shortly afterwards by the
Minister of Finance.

That depositors will eventually
get their money back under this
scheme has been declared certain.
Eventually, however, is proving a
long time, a very long time indeed.
Nor does the impending debate in
the Chamber of Deputies promise
much. Although the interpellation
concerns "the tardiness of the
judicial proceedings respecting the
Banque's affairs," the clamour
for Andre Berthelot's trial will al-
most certainly swamp the debate
and drown any voice raised for the
luckless depositor. This demand
for Berthelot's arraignment arose
out of the action, while still a
figure head of the Banque, in
handing his brother Philippe
a large sum of money in
1918. Bearing one of the most
illustrious names in the Republic

Philippe was among the real
rulers of France. Realising that he
would be dragged down in the ap-
proaching ruin, history relates,
he made "one last effort to
save the Banque out in China,
where the branches, without funds,
were bluffing their way through the
storm. He telegraphed to the
French Ambassador at Peking in
such terms that the latter took it to
mean the French Government were
standing behind the Banque. At
the same time he cabled to
America requesting the French
High Commissioner, Casenave, to
use his weight with the American
banks to stop them from following
the example of Lombard Street."
(London bankers, on January 7,
1921, seized all the money on de-
posit belonging to the Banque
against loans they had made her.)
When Pernotte, brain of the Ban-
que, was forced to accept salvage
terms from the Paris bankers,
political enemies of Berthelot (the
Royalist "Action Francaise" at
their head), eager for a chance to
discredit the Republic in so great
a representative as Berthelot,
threw themselves into the tangle.
The fated Berthelot cables were
treacherously sold to a newspaper
of the Right (*Echo de Paris*), and
violent scenes occurred in Parlia-
ment. M. Briand, on the eve of his
voyage to Cannes, was forced to
suspend Berthelot. His own fall
followed, and then the grim scene
in the committee room of the Quai
d'Orsay, where the "Treaty-maker,"
the "Prince of the Republic," Phi-
lippe Berthelot, was dismissed by
M. Poincaré."

This morning's cable reports that
Philippe Berthelot, answering the
charge that the sum his brother paid
him was bribe money, declared
that the payment was a family
matter not connected with the
Banque's affairs and was in accor-
dance with a proviso that it should
be returned if ever Andre required
it. He returned it, Philippe claims,
in 1921 when the Banque was
embarrassed and it was then placed
unreservedly at the disposal of the
Company. Philippe adds that he
intervened more often on behalf
of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine than
the Banque Industrielle. The
point of this last statement
lies, of course, in the fact his
brother was a figure-head of the
Banque Industrielle coupled with
the other fact that the Banque de
l'Indo-Chine was that concern's
bitter enemy. M. Poincaré has
declined to answer questions
regarding Berthelot's political
honour, suggesting that the matter
be left until the forthcoming
debate. Though fallen from
power, Berthelot is not without
strong friends. Consequently the
debate will almost certainly prove
long and bitter. With political
rivals seeking to humiliate each
other and prepared to raise matters
quite irrelevant to the issue, who
can say whether the debate will
achieve its avowed object of
hastening the judicial proceedings
respecting the Banque's affairs.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. Easley Zeitlyn, barrister,
is leaving by the "President
Cleveland" tomorrow for Shang-
hai, where he will be engaged for
some days in important arbitration
proceedings.

At the fortnightly meeting of
the Sanitary Board which took place
yesterday afternoon, the Chairman
(Mr. G. R. Sayer), intimated that
Rural Inspector MacWalter had
been authorised to enter premises
and inspect and seize unwholesome
food and that some slight modifica-
tions had been made in the off-
ensive trade areas in Kowloon.

Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning
fined a representative of the King
Sun firm of contractors, \$200 for
failing to take the necessary
precautions when carrying out
blasting operations near the Re-
public Bay Hotel. A large piece
of rock was hurled from the
hillside over some matchless into
the sea. Fortunately, there were
no casualties.

For failing to mark the words
"For Export" on 59 packages
containing 3,000 pounds of tobacco,
the "Chu Yan Lan" firm of 122,
Wing Lok Street, which Mr. J. T.
Lindell, Superintendent of Imports
and Exports, described as one of
the largest wholesale tobacco firms
in the Colony, was this morning
fined \$50. Mr. Lloyd, who was
present, said Mr. E. Lindell that
he was not aware of what the
firm was doing in this respect on the
part of its

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One case of plague and two
cases of small-pox, all Chinese,
were notified yesterday.

Lieut. A. E. Watts, Army
Educational Corps, has been taken
on the strength of the China Com-
mand.

The annual meeting of the
Association of Exporters and
Dealers is announced for Thursday,
April 5, at 4 p.m.

Visiting the Colony is Mr.
George Bronson Rea, M.E.,
publisher of the *Far Eastern
Review*, Shanghai.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co.,
Ltd. have a notice in the
advertisement columns regarding
hours of business during the holi-
days.

The Hon. Leonard Cripps,
director of Messrs. Alfred Holt
and Co., who has been visiting
Hongkong and Hankow, is now in
Shanghai and will be there until
the end of the month.

During the absence of Mr. C.
Montague Ede from the Colony,
Mr. Paul Lauder will be acting
general manager of the Union
Insurance Society of Canton Ltd.,
and associated companies.

Amongst passengers who
arrived here by the "Empress of
Canada" were Mr. and Mrs. L. G.
Bird, Miss Bird, Mrs. N. C. Wilson,
Mrs. P. H. Rolfe, Mr. J. Parsons,
and the Rev. G. H. Bondfield.

Sir Francis Burdett arrived by
the "Empress of Canada" yesterday.
He owns some 21,000 acres of land,
was formerly a Captain in the 17th
Lancers and served in the South
African War. He was at one time
A.D.C. to the Governor of Ceylon.

Among residents who left for
Home yesterday by the "City of
Simla" were Mrs. T. E. Pearce,
Mrs. H. A. Nisbet, Mrs. E. A.
Ram, Mrs. H. A. Cartwright, Mrs.
G. D. Black, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. L.
Soares, the Rev. E. W. L.
Martin (St. Stephen's College), Mr.
F. H. Farthing, Rev. E. G. Stewart
and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. and Miss
Ram.

Dr. and Mrs. Reid Hunt of
Boston, are staying at the Aster
House, Shanghai. Dr. Hunt is a well
known American pharmacologist,
has lectured at Columbia University
and Johns Hopkins, was chief of
the division and professor of phar-
macology in the U. S. Public
Health Service, 1904-13, and since
then professor of pharmacology in
the Medical Department of Harvard
University. He is a member of the
leading medical societies of
America and has contributed arti-
cles to various medical journals.

The funeral of Mr. Emerson
P. Whaley formerly of Andersen,
Meyer & Co. in Shanghai took
place last week at Bubbling Well
Cemetery. Mr. Whaley was taken
suddenly ill, developing double
pneumonia, which caused his death.
Of Canadian birth, he served for
the duration of the war with the
Canadian forces overseas and had
a lieutenant's commission at the
close. Being an enthusiastic golfer
and sportsman, Mr. Whaley formed
many friendships in the sporting
community of Shanghai since his
arrival in 1921. The tragic part of
his demise lies in the fact that he
was proposing to return to Canada
in the near future.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

REFINERY STRIKE.

A SETTLEMENT EXPECTED.

Representatives of the mechanics
and fitters employed at the Tai-
koo Sugar Refinery, who are at present
on strike, went to interview the
Chief Engineer and the Chemist
to-day, the *China Mail* is informed.
It is expected that only a few
minor differences remain and a
settlement accompanied by the
signing of the agreement is con-
fidently expected to-day.

OUR VOLUNTEERS.

G.O.C.'S INSPECTION

TO-NIGHT.

The General Officer Com-
manding the Forces in China (Major
General Sir John Fowler) will in-
spect the Hongkong Volunteer
Defence Corps at Murray Parade
Ground at six o'clock to-night.

FORTHCOMING LAND

SALE.

Kowloon Island Lot No. 1557
situated at Battery Street and com-
prising about 3,600 square feet will
be sold by public auction at the
P. W. D. offices on Tuesday, April
3, at 2 p.m. The upset price is
\$8,000 and the annual rental \$500.

HARBOUR BLAZE.

JUST LIKE FIREWORKS.

JUNK TURNS TURTLE.

At about 2.30 this morning, a
three-masted junk, No. T887H,
caught fire while riding at anchor
in the junk anchorage off Wing
Lok Street. Unfortunately, the
Brigade was not called till 4.17,
when every part of the vessel to
the top of the masts was ablaze.

No. 1. Float was immediately
despatched to the scene in
charge of Station Officer Moss,
Superintendent Brooks, following
in a motorboat. When the
Brigade arrived it was realised
that there was very little chance of
saving the vessel. The fire had
caught such hold that viewed from
the Praya, the junk resembled
some magnificent set-piece of a
fireworks display. As all neigh-
bouring craft had moved off, the
float had sufficient room to move
round the junk and direct the
monitor on to it.

When the flames had diminished
to some extent, a number of firemen
boarded the vessel with their hoses.
It soon became apparent that as the
starboard had been burnt to the
water's edge and the water poured
in by the monitor had caused a
severe list, there was a probability
of the junk capsizing. The men
returned to the float none too soon
for shortly afterwards, the junk,
still anchored by the bows, turned
turtle. A number of burning pack-
ages started floating away but they
were quickly extinguished.

The junk still lies with her hull
skywards. It had on board a mis-
cellaneous cargo of paper, rice,
rattan and a number of jars the
contents of which are not known.
All the cargo is either burnt up or
was lost through capsizing. The
origin of the fire has not been
ascertained as yet, nor has the
amount of damage been assessed.
It is not known if the junk or cargo
was insured.

SQUEEZE.

RICE JUNKS FINED.

"SAFE ESCORT" LEVIES.

While near what is described by
the Chinese as the Sha Kok forts
on Monday, three fully-laden rice
junks, en route from Hongkong to
Chan Chuen, were held up by a
number of soldiers from the forts.
The supercargo was informed
that a certain general had issued
orders to the effect that all rice-
junks passing the forts must pay
dues. As three vessels had not
anchored, they were, according to
the garrison, evading the levies and
the junks would be confiscated
with their cargoes.

After considerable discussion,
the garrison allowed the junks to
pay a "safe escort" tax of 10 cents
a picul on rice and 6 cents a picul
on bran. In addition to this, each
junk was "fined" \$600. Together
the junks were mulcted in a sum
of over \$3,000. On the ground
that the rice was imported, the
garrison insisted on payment in
Hongkong notes before the vessels
were permitted to proceed.

Rice merchants are considering
the advisability of chartering or
purchasing shallow-draft vessels
and running them under foreign
flags.

MALE VOICE CHOIR.

AN ENJOYABLE CONCERT.

Last night the Hongkong Male
Voice Choir gave a very enjoyable
concert in the Union Church Hall,
Kennedy Road, and as the result
of it the Hongkong and New
Territories Evangelisation Society
in aid of which the concert was
given, should gain a nice little
sum for its beneficent work.

The hall was crowded but
nobody minded standing when
there was such a good programme
to be listened to. Quartettes and
several solo were heard besides the
choir and at the close of what all
thought to be a very enjoyable
function the Rev. J. Kirk
Macdonald warmly thanked the
artists.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CORRECTION.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail"]

Sir,—In your issue of March 27
under a picture of Sir Horace
Plunkett you say: "One of his
sons was executed by the British
for taking part in the famous
Easter uprising."
May I point out that the Plunkett
who was executed on May 4, 1916,
was Joseph Plunkett, a son of
Colonel Plunkett, and not a relation
of Sir Horace Plunkett.

Sir Horace Plunkett is, I believe,
unmarried.

Yours, etc.
"AHC"
Hongkong, March 27, 1934.

THE COST OF LIVING.

[TOM WRIGHT STUFF.]

SANDWICH ISLANDS.

Yoshio Marikine, a Japanese artist
who used to live in London, and
painted many wonderful pictures of
London life, also wrote a book or
two in quaint and distinctly pleas-
ing English. I recall that he com-
plained against descriptive litera-
ture generally that it failed to en-
lighten the reader as to the money
cost of things. One of my Hong-
kong correspondents has just re-
minded me of him, by demanding
that "I stop writing 'maudlin
metaphysics' and tell you the cost
of 'rents, food, icecream-sodas,
etc.' in these parts. My first
impulse is to tell him where to go.
It was my one objection to news-
paper work that it compelled me to
think about things that I didn't
want to think of, and to fawn
interest in matters that had no
interest for me. When almost all
my thoughts are orbiting around
(say) deity, it is irksome to be
summoned to ponder some anti-
climax like (say) constitutional re-
form in the parish of Poplar. It is
a distinct jar to the spirit to be
yanked from contemplation of the
subliminal self to study the pros and
cons of an additional stamp duty
on postal orders. The road from
the sublime to the ridiculous is a
painful one, and the transition from
the League of Nations to the Easpa
Club a far, far cry. However, it
has been remarked that I am good-
natured and obliging, and if only I
could think of a way to introduce
these dry economic facts in some
elegant literary manner, you may
be sure I would make haste to take
the hint and give you what you
want. (That is to assume that this
correspondent had the right to
speak for you. Newspapermen
assume that right habitually—and
unsuccessfully, if the late Francis
May knew what he was talking
about.) Now let me think. A
little line of asterisks, Mr. Foreman
please, to indicate a spell of think-
ing.

CUPID AND HIRAM Q. BLENKINSOP.

(A Sandwich Island Idyll)

There "cannot be the slightest
doubt" (editorial in Honolulu
paper, 6 cents per copy or one dollar
a month) that when Hiram Q.
Blenkinsop came to Honolulu from
"the mainland" (fare \$90) he was
not in love, although he had passed
his 27th birthday, and wore a soft
felt hat like Dr. Pearce's (\$5). As
he rode from the wharf to the hotel
in a rent-car (fare \$1.50) disdaining
the humble street-car (fare 5 cents,
transfer free) he smoked a ten-cent
cigar with all the joy of a heart as
yet unenthralled by womankind.
Passing a fruit shop en route (rent
\$250 per month, half yearly licence
say \$12) he spoke his thought
aloud:

"Strange that in an island where
bananas grow wild and well they
should retail so high as 20 and 25
cents a dozen."

"We export 'em now. That's
why," said the chauffeur, who was
wearing reach-me-down trousers
(\$10) and a cotton shirt (\$1.50).

The hotel bill being high (\$6 a
day) Mr. Blenkinsop moved to a
rooming-house (\$40 a month) and
took his meals outside. Sometimes
he went to a Japanese restaurant
and had a Cafewise man sort of
lunch (50 cents). When he felt
like a grillomish feed he went to
an American eatery and paid a
dollara hafe, or even two dollars.
For extra haire, he could always
economise on coffee (5 cents) and
pie (5 cents). But even so he found
the cost of living higher than he
liked, and he looked round and
found a room in a private house for
\$15 a month. It was here that he
met his fate.

Mamie Schlitz, the daughter of
the house, was as beautiful as
powder, rouge and lipstick could
make her. (\$....? Have a heart.
Now how should I know? She was
getting \$120 a month as a stenog-
raffer, and wore simple gingham
dresses at \$2.75 and hats at \$6.00.

Every morning she read a little in
a book by a Frenchman called Gode
(\$2) and told herself that every day
and in every way she was getting
outer and enter. And Hiram
guessed she was cute enough to eat
Chivalrously to her he said one
evening: "What's the matter with
a picture show?"

"Up went her lovely eyebrows (75
cents). "Twenty-five cent seats,"
she enquired, with maidenly cau-
tion.

"Now," he roared. "Take me
for a piker? I was thinking of
first-class."

"Make it a two (\$2) and take
me home. And you're in. She was
mused. Hiram fell for it.
"After the show they went to a
dinner at home. Hiram had a
secretary and a maid (15 cents).
Mamie had a special menu (6 cents)
while her mother, who sat with
her, had a regular dinner (15 cents).

FREE FIGHT.

IN JAPANESE DIET.

MEMBER BADLY MAULED.

TOKYO, Mar. 27.
The closing of the forty-sixth
session of the Imperial Diet came
amidst a free fight upon the floor
wherein all parties and factions
participated. One member of the
anti-Government faction was some-
what badly mauled because he at-
tempted to make a speech from the
rostrum impeaching the Premier
and Cabinet. He was pulled down,
beaten and kicked. Supporters
joined in and the Speaker ordered
a recess but upon reassembling
the trouble recommenced. Fortu-
nately midnight struck, the
speaker's gavel fell and the last
session ended.—*Reuter*.

a half pint of grape juice for 25 cts.
As our hero got into his near-silk
pajamas that night (\$0.60) he felt
that the course of true love was
running sleekly. Little did he
know, at this time, that he had a
rival.

He accompanied Mamie a-
marketing, and carried for her 1 doz.
eggs (\$1.25—she scorned the 50
cent dozen eggs imported from
California) one pound of beef,
T-bone steak (35 cents) six cans of
Frankfurter sausage (40 cts. the
can) 1 lb. sweet potatoes (25 cts.)
and many other things the listing
of which would too seriously impede
the sweep of our narrative. While
waiting for her he let a little
Japanese boy shine his shoes for
him (15 cents). He thought that
dear, and said so.

"Geel!" cried the shoeblack,
"you're some tightwad, aintcher?"
Mamie mentioned the rival on
the way home. His name was
Peter B. Strauch, and he was a
garage proprietor (small, car, house)
for \$14 a month. Repairs a
specialty. This talk made Hiram
get a move on. It may have been
meant to do so. Who knows?

That night on the porch he pic-
tured to Mamie how nice it would
be for her and him to be together
in a nice little house somewhere.

"Whadja mean, 'little'?" she
asked sweetly, "and where was you
figuring 'somewhere' to be?"

"I thought Kaimuki would suit
us," he answered lovingly, opening
a packet of gaspers (20 cents) and
lighting one with a Chinese match
(10 cents the package of ten boxes,
or three for 25). "The air up there
is fine, and I can get a four-roomed
cottage for \$50 a month, near the
car-line."

"Hiram Q." sternly said Mamie,
stamping her shoe (white canvas,
high-heels, very stylish) \$10! "How
did the idea get into your dome that
I was a Portuguese lady? I come
from Montana."

"Well, don't get so, kid. I
guess I made it, Punahau, and
pay \$100 a month just as easy for
a house the same size!"

Mamie sighed.
"I guess you're just naturally
boneheaded," she said, patiently.
"Don't you realize that a lady like
me must live out Waikiki way, in
a \$200 house, and that we've just
got to have a machine. Peter
would give me that, and have a
radio-set and a yard-boy and every-
thing."

The manly agony of Hiram Q.
escaped in a groan that sounded like
the name of the climate mentioned
in the sermon by the curate. He
was hap. He knew that he couldn't
stand for it. He was down and
out. He tipped off the porch and
hurried to a bootlegger's to drown
his grief in Haig and Haig (\$10 per
quart). When, as it had to be at
that rate, his money was getting low,
he started buying a local substitute for
gin (\$1 the quart) and in a week
was batty in the belfry. To speak
plainly, he was bughouse.

One morning, under a fierce sun,
and scarcely knowing what he was
doing, he went to the drug store
where they had been so happy that
first evening, and asked for a packet
of bootleg poison (20 cents) and
swallowed it, and was, at peace.

Lying stretched out at the under-
taker's mortuary parlors (\$....
again I'm stamped but you surely
cannot want to know the charges
there) one beam looked so peaceful,
so finally peaceful, that one some-
how knew he would never again
chew gum (5 cents).

Mamie married her garage man,
but they were not happy, and she
went to Nevada for a divorce. As
you didn't ask for Nevada G.O.L.
it does not matter that it happen
once more to be unable to quote
rates.

Now, friend Foreman, a short
row of these dots that Mr. Wells
makes such elegant use of. They
will lead up to a very important re-
mark. Thank you.

If you desire me any more for
information of this kind, please write
me at my home, 1000 Broadway, New
York, N.Y.

You will get the same kind of in-
formation from me as you get from
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BIBLE SOCIETY. SPREADING THE WORD. HONGKONG AUXILIARY'S REPORT.

The Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society has just issued its report and balance sheet for 1922, which are to be presented at the annual meeting in the Helena May Institute on April 4 when Commodore Grace will preside.

The report *inter alia* states:—
“At the Depot in Lower Wyndham Street, in the absence of the manager, Mrs. Spradbury, the duties of her post were discharged, to the full satisfaction of the Committee by Mrs. Green. On her return to the Colony, in June, after six months' absence, Mrs. Spradbury resumed charge. To both these ladies acknowledgments are tendered. The administration of the Depot has been maintained throughout the twelve months period, with unimpaired effectiveness.

Sales of Scriptures from the Depot, for the year 1922, are reported as follows:—

Publications in English, 503; in Wani Chinese, 1,308; in Cantonese, 3,244; in Hakka, 16; in English and Cantonese, 289; in Mandarin, 20.

Scriptures in the following languages were also sold:—Russian, Hebrew, Japanese, Hindi, Spanish, Italian, Danish, Portuguese, Urdu, Malay, Punjabi and Arabic.

A total of 5,845 copies of the Society's publications inclusive of Bibles, Testaments and single books of the Bible, were thus disposed of. The total amount received on account of sales was \$1,632.95.

It should be noted that the Revd. H. E. Anderson, who left the Colony last July, has since his arrival in England, severed his connection with the Society. The Revd. H. O. T. Burckwell, Sub-agent in Canton, has temporary oversight of Bible Society operations in this Hongkong area.

Mr. Burckwell has worked in helpful touch with this Auxiliary. He calls attention, specially, to enlarging opportunities for colportage in the city of Victoria and on the nearest section of the mainland opposite. Mr. Burckwell, rightly observes that “For this service there are needed men with a vision of great things for the kingdom of God and the realization of the power of the Scriptures to change men's hearts and lives.” A colporteur of this type has been rendering highly successful part-time service on both sides of the harbour. He was able to enlist the active sympathy of other earnest young men and with their help has distributed by sales more than 1,000 Scriptures per month.

Concerning colportage further afield, Mr. Burckwell adds, with special reference to the island of Hainan and the near peninsula, that great advances have been made. The statement is confirmed by the reports of missionaries superintending this form of activity. The record of Bible work in South China is distinctly encouraging; particularly in regions that have suffered least from disturbed conditions.

Bible Sunday was duly observed in the local Churches, Chinese and Non-Chinese. In a former Report there was mention of the deepening interest shown by Chinese Christians in the work of the Bible Society. It is gratifying to record that this aspect of Chinese Church life is increasingly witnessed to by sermons and addresses in which the facts of Bible distribution are portrayed, clearly, and the appeals on this behalf are cogent and convincing. This is specially noticeable in Churches where the evangelistic spirit is year by year putting on strength for wider and more completely organized endeavours to make the Gospel known. The circumstance is among the most encouraging features of present day Chinese missionary activity.

The claims of the Society have been further impressed on its friends and helpers in the Colony by members of the Ladies' Committee. To this Committee is assigned the task of collecting funds and the assistance rendered by the Auxiliary must needs depend much on the success of efforts in this direction. It is of the first importance that these efforts be well supported by such provision as can be made of pamphlet literature designed of the purpose. Facts and figures, in brief outline, make for ready realization. These, with brief statements of appeal, should be available at the beginning of Autumn, the season when most of the collecting is undertaken and carried out.

This Report may not omit some observations in favour of Bible work derived from the Christian occupation of China as one of the most narrow bounds. In the view of noteworthy signs of the new times, those who are seeking to bring in the Kingdom of God must be open to influences such as Bible and Christian community work. Societies may best bring to bear, far and wide, the spirit of the Bible. As an Auxiliary to a Bible Society numbered 206,292 members. Of our duty, this becomes more clear these 206,292 were communicants, and urgent for its proper discharge. There were 10,387 Chinese day scholars in 1922. It is a stupendous task to be the service of the world to come.

LANDLORD-SUED. INTERESTING CLAIM FOR DAMAGES.

“QUIET ENJOYMENT” DISTURBED.

A Chinese landlord named Ma Kee Sun, 28 Gage Street was the defendant in two cases heard at the Summary Court this morning before Mr. Justice Gompertz when Ho Hin Yeuk, tenant of the 1st and 2nd floors of 22 Mercer Street and Li Lok Man tenant of the third floor, sued him for “disturbance of quiet enjoyment of the premises by making certain alterations thereto.”

Plaintiffs claimed \$1,000 each and costs, as damages. They also claimed a declaration that the plaintiffs are the tenants of the premises, and an order that the defendant be allowed to resume full possession of the premises at the completion of the repairs.

The claim of Ho Hin Yeuk was heard first and facts were put forward on his behalf by Mr. F. G. Vaux. Mr. Ho Hin Yeuk, he said, was a Chinese Doctor and on August 15, 1921 he received a letter from Messrs. Raven and Raven, architects, giving him three months' notice to quit. The next thing was that on October 10 of the same year the landlord wrote to the tenant giving him a certain date when the repairs would begin and telling him he ought to quit on November 19, 1921. On December 25 the tenant received another notice from the architects giving him three months' notice to quit, and stating that the premises were going to be reconstructed. The landlord later wrote saying that the repairs were going to begin on December 28 and asking him to quit the day before. The tenant wrote to the architects saying he would refuse to quit unless, after the completion of the repairs he was allowed to re-occupy. That request, said Mr. Vaux, was refused. The tenant continued in his occupation although the work had commenced of pulling down the building. On March 1, the architects were asked to inspect the plans as it was deemed that they did not constitute a new building within the Public Health and Building Ordinance of 1923. On Feb. 28, the tenant left the premises but locked up both the first and second floors. He last slept on the premises on March 4 and rent had been paid up to Feb. 24. Mr. Vaux further added that the tenant left the two flats locked up but on returning on March 3 he found the furniture gone. The alterations were of such a nature as to make it impossible for anybody to live in the premises.

Mr. Lo, for the landlord, said the whole point of the case was whether furniture was left behind, if so, how much and to what extent.

(Proceeding.)

Churches. These were connected with 1,038 principal stations and 6,482 out stations. The figures are in themselves a strong plea in favour of Bible work at a time of change and movement that is shaping the destiny of the people. There has dawned a new day bright with promise to the new nation. Vision is vouchsafed of a new Heaven and a new earth, a kingdom of righteousness brought in by agency Divine. Among the channels of this agency is the Bible Society. It is the privilege of this Society. It is gratifying to record that this aspect of Chinese Church life is increasingly witnessed to by sermons and addresses in which the facts of Bible distribution are portrayed, clearly, and the appeals on this behalf are cogent and convincing. This is specially noticeable in Churches where the evangelistic spirit is year by year putting on strength for wider and more completely organized endeavours to make the Gospel known. The circumstance is among the most encouraging features of present day Chinese missionary activity.

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Not may the fact be left out of sight that, in order to use right the greater occasion, provision must be made to meet enhanced postal and freight charges the impact of which is felt, severely, by Book Societies operating in China, to-day. The time in which we live offers larger privileges to all who would identify themselves with beneficent movements for the well-being of the nations. The demand is for effort, zeal that does not readily or easily wear down, and a spirit of self-sacrifice, inspired by devotion to the Christian occupation of China as one of the most narrow bounds. In the view of noteworthy signs of the new times, those who are seeking to bring in the Kingdom of God must be open to influences such as Bible and Christian community work. Societies may best bring to bear, far and wide, the spirit of the Bible. As an Auxiliary to a Bible Society numbered 206,292 members. Of our duty, this becomes more clear these 206,292 were communicants, and urgent for its proper discharge. There were 10,387 Chinese day scholars in 1922. It is a stupendous task to be the service of the world to come.

SHORTHAND SUCCESSES. ST. MARY'S SCHOOL RESULTS.

The results of the examination in Pitman's shorthand held in December at St. Mary's School, Kowloon, have arrived from England and are as follows:—

Elementary Certificate:—Miss Aleitha A. Hirst, Miss Edith Dixon, Miss Betty Davidson, Miss Dorothy M. Lyon, Miss Edith Wing, Miss Elsie Wing, Miss Elleen Leonard, Miss Mercedes Rosario, Miss Helena Jorge, Miss Hortencia Jorge, Miss Florence Neave and Miss Maud White.

Theory Certificate:—Miss Helen Harrison, Miss Elleen Bliss, Miss Caroline Tennyson, Miss Dorothy Goodman, Miss Greta I. Mooney, Miss Majorie White, Miss Maria Prata, Miss Maria Rosario and Miss Marjorie Mason.

60 Words a Minute Certificate:—Miss Elleen E. Aris, Miss Majorie White, Miss Annie Nunes, Miss Marie Rosario, Miss Parrin Ruttonjee, Miss Lyce Oliveira, Miss Laura Gomes, Miss Avelia Souza and Miss Caroline Tennyson.

80 Words a Minute Certificate:—Miss Greta I. Mooney.

100 Words a Minute Certificate:—Miss Rita Xavier, Miss Violet Van Langenberg, Miss Aurea Baptista, Miss Idalia M. da Luz and Miss Lena Choa.

The students were instructed by Mr. T. F. O. Sullivan, F.I.P.S., P.C.T.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

ON GOOD FRIDAY, the 30th Instant, and on EASTER MONDAY, the 2nd April, all departments will be CLOSED.

On these days The Hongkong Dispensary will be opened for dispensing prescriptions from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. and from 6 P.M. to 7.30 P.M.

On SATURDAY, the 31st Instant, all departments will be open as usual. Hongkong, March 27, 1923.

NOTICE.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD., beg to announce that Departments for the sale of Fresh Fish, Fruits and Vegetables will be opened at the Peak Hotel Store on TUESDAY, 3rd April, from which date the following may be procured:—

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Ice obtained at this Store will be charged at the rate of 1½ cents per lb. other prices remain as usual. It is hoped that all residents of the Peak Districts will avail themselves of this Store.

Hongkong, March 27, 1923.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. PAUL LAUDER is appointed Acting General Manager of the Society.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager. Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. PAUL LAUDER is appointed Acting General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager. Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM THIS DATE and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. PAUL LAUDER is appointed Acting General Manager of the Company.

By Order of the Board, C. MONTAGUE EDE, General Manager. Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Mrs. Besser to sell by Public Auction.

on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 4th and 5th April 1923, commencing each day at 2.45 P.M. at "Harting" and "Rogato" Auction Room, Kowloon, The Whole of his Valuable Household Furniture.

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ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS & DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be held on THURSDAY, April 5th, 1923, at 4 o'clock precisely, in the OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, City Hall, for the following purposes:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1922.

2. To elect a New Committee.

3. To transact any General Business.

By Order, D. K. BLAIR, Secretary. Hongkong, March 28, 1923.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the China Mail, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

YESTERDAY'S SPORTS MEETING.

The Queen's College students continued their annual sports meeting at Causeway Bay, yesterday afternoon. The College record for the 220 yards race was broken by Lam Yuk Ying who covered the distance in 23 secs, which is three-fifths of a second better than the previous record. Mok Tai Cheuk was successful in retaining the honour of senior champion of the meeting which he first won in 1922, while Leung Po Chuen outpointed all competitors of his class and became junior champion for 1933. Both these young champions received trophies which were presented by Sir Robert Ho Tung and the "Old Boys" respectively. The invitation relay race was won by St. Paul's College while class C2a was successful in the senior class team race. Class 4A won the junior event.

The Headmaster (Mr. B. Tanner), calling upon Mrs. Irving to present the prizes said that it was not necessary for him to introduce Mrs. Irving to the scholars except to the newest boys, because Mrs. Irving had come so often amongst them that she was quite a friend of old standing. Mrs. Irving would be leaving for home shortly and he took the opportunity of wishing her a very pleasant voyage and many happy years in England. (Applause.) To Mr. Edwards and his band of helpers, as well as those interested in the school—donors of prizes, etc.—they were very grateful. He asked Mrs. Irving to accept with the best wishes of everybody at Queen's College a small token of regard as a memento from the school. Mr. Tanner then presented Mrs. Irving with a small silver bowl.

At the conclusion of the distribution of prizes Mrs. Irving was also the recipient of a handsome bouquet of flowers.

OFFICIALS.

President.—Mr. B. Tanner.
Entertainment Committee.—Mr. A. H. Crook, The Mistresses and Mr. Tse Ching Fong.
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Clerk of Course.—The Secretary.
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Time-keepers.—Messrs. F. J. de Rome and Sung Hok Pang.
Scorers.—Mr. L. Lun Kwai and Prefects Ching Hing Chow and Kam Wa Kui.
Secretary.—Mr. F. J. Edwards.

AFTERNOON'S RESULTS.

The afternoon's results were:—
120 Yards Hurdles (Senior).—Mok Tai Cheuk, 1; Ng Kam Chuen, 2; Wan Kwong Tin, 3. Time, 17 3/5 secs.
120 Yards Hurdles (Junior).—Leung Po Chuen, 1; Cheung Shu Fan, 2; Li Kai Yuen, 3. Time, 19 1/2 secs.
Pick-a-Back Race.—Wong Po Lam and Kwong Wing Fat, 1.
Half Mile Handicap.—Tang Yau Cho, 1; Ip Kui Ying, 2; I. Haroon, 3.

Three Legged Race.—M. Sabham and Pang Kwok Wa, 1; Woo Hang Ying and M. Ramzan, 2.
300 Yards (Senior).—Mok Tai Cheuk, 1; Wong Po Lam, 2; Wan Kwong Tin, 3. Time, 37 secs.
300 Yards (Junior).—Leung Po Chuen, 1; Cheung Shu Fan, 2; M. Ramzan, 3.

100 Yards (Class B).—Lo Chi Kai, 1; Wai Chung, 2; Cheuk Wa Sang, 3.
Sack Race.—Woo Hang Ying, 1; Pan Tsang Ming, 2; I. Haroon, 3.
One Mile Race.—Ip Kui Ying, 1; Surjan Singh, 2; Yik Chan Pong, 3.
Invitation Relay Race.—St. Paul's College.

Senior Class Team Race.—C2a, 1; C2b, 2.
Junior Class Team Race.—4A, 1; 5A, 2.

Old Boys' Race, 220 Yards.—Lam Yuk Ying, 1; G. A. Hyder, 2; A. L. Bumsan, 3. Time, 23 secs. (Record).

Obstacle Race.—Cheung Shu Fan, 1; Wan Kwong Tin, 2; Leung Po Chuen, 3.
Consolation Race.—Lok Wing Fat, 1; M. Ramzan, 2; Li Kai Yuen, 3.

CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain A. R. McEachran, of the "Suiyang," is on reserve.
Captain P. R. S. Purslow, of the "Lushow," has gone master, "Suiyang."

Mr. O. W. Williams, second officer, "Kwangse," is on reserve.
Mr. E. W. Lowson, has been appointed second officer, "Kwangse."

Mr. D. O. Tilburn, second engineer, "Chengtu," has gone acting chief engineer, "Fochow."

Mr. W. G. Ramsay, chief engineer, "Fochow," is on leave.
Mr. R. Fox, from leave, has gone acting chief officer, "Wosang."

Mr. L. McKee, chief officer, "Wosang," is on reserve.
Mr. H. Fothergill, has been appointed sup'y second officer, "Tuckwo."

Captain D. W. Ritchie, of the "Mingsang," has retired.
Captain H. Simpson, of the "Namang," has gone master, "Mingsang."

Captain C. W. Falk, of the "Chaksang," has gone master, "Namang."
Captain C. D. Nicoll, from leave, has gone master, "Chaksang."

Mr. G. S. Robb has been appointed third officer, "Yuensang."
Mr. J. Pittendrigh, third officer, "Yuensang," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. D. A. Matheson, second officer, "Yuensang," has gone second officer, "Namang."
Mr. H. R. Dowson, second officer, "Namang," is on reserve.

Mr. J. Turbine, second officer, "Chaksang," has gone acting chief officer, same ship.
Mr. A. H. Mackie, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Chaksang."

Mr. V. Petherick, third officer, "Chaksang," is on reserve.
Mr. A. M. Henderson, third officer, "Mingsang," has gone third officer, "Chaksang."

Mr. W. G. Walter has been appointed third officer, "Mingsang."
Mr. R. Thomson, second engineer, "Tungwo," is on reserve.

Mr. A. McEwan, chief engineer, "Tuckwo," is on leave.
Mr. J. Stalker, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Tuckwo."

Mr. H. Craig, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer, "Wosang."
Mr. W. Grosbie, chief engineer, "Wosang," is on leave.

Captain F. H. Wallace, of the "Hsien," has retired.
Captain C. Taylor, from reserve, has gone master, "Hsien."

Mr. C. Skratue has been appointed second officer, "Hsin Paang."
Mr. K. Andbank, second officer, "Kianghsin," has gone acting chief officer, "Hsin Kiangteen."

Mr. F. Krunkle has been appointed second officer, "Hsin Kiangteen."
Mr. A. Knox has been appointed third engineer, "Hsin Kiangteen."

Mr. W. Moodie, third engineer, "Hsin Kiangteen," has gone second engineer, "Toonan."

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING.

BOY PRICED AT \$110.

Evidence was heard by Mr. R. E. Lindsay yesterday, in the case in which three young Chinese are charged with kidnapping a boy from Yumati. Two boys who were playing with the missing boy gave evidence, describing how defendants accosted them and got into their good graces by treating them to tea and a meal of rice. The missing boy was last seen at the Kowloon Railway Station where the two witnesses suspected that all was not right and ran home. Besides giving his evidence quite lucidly, one of the boy witnesses underwent a searching cross-examination by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, for the defence, and did not seem in the least perturbed.

At this stage His Worship remarked that there was little or no evidence against the defendants. Mr. D. McCallum, who prosecuted, said he had a witness who could testify on oath that one of the defendants, talk of selling the boy for \$110, but owing to intimidation, he refused to appear and had to be subpoenaed.

His Worship, accordingly, adjourned the case for one week.

ORIENTAL COTTON MILLS.

New Capital Issue.

STRONG CRITICISM FROM HONGKONG.

"SHUTTING OUT HONGKONG VOTES"

In face of strong opposition and criticism from Hongkong shareholders of the Oriental Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd., at the annual meeting in Shanghai on March 19, a proposal to offer 220,000 unissued ordinary shares in order to provide the company with sufficient funds to weather the trade crisis was carried. The meeting was held at the offices of Messrs. Arnhold Brothers & Co., Ltd., the general managers, and was attended by one of the largest gatherings of shareholders seen at a local company meeting for years. Mr. H. E. Arnhold presided, and was supported by Messrs. E. T. Byrne, C. H. Rutherford, and A. J. Welch, directors, and J. A. Moller, secretary. Mr. C. A. Holborow, of Messrs. Harisons, was also present at the directors' table. Shares represented totalled 150,665.

After the notice convening the meeting had been read the chairman said:

The directors' report and accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

The year under review has been a bad one for all cotton mills not possessed of large liquid resources, as, owing to the disturbed state of the country, we have experienced long periods of depression in the yarn market. These were generally followed by short periods of activity, but, with no available liquid resources, we were compelled to dispose of our stocks whenever they had accumulated and could not hold out for temporary improvements in the market. As regards cloth, the position has been better, but unfortunately we were not in a position to avail ourselves of this, as our weaving plant was not in full working order until December. Although this plant was ordered in 1919, owing to the disturbed state of affairs in the industrial world in England following on the war, it was not until last year that we obtained final delivery of our weaving plant. The same is now in full working order, and I am glad to say that the cloth which we are turning out is finding a ready market at prices fully equal to those obtained by other local mills.

UNDER-CAPITALIZATION.

A glance at the balance sheet will make it quite clear that the company is very much under-capitalized. Against the paid-up capital of Tls. 660,000, we have assets amounting to over Tls. 4,250,000. During the past few years, we have invested nearly 12 1/2 lakhs in land, buildings and new machinery, from which the company eventually will benefit, if it is provided with more working capital, and we have further distributed, during the last three years, over 150 per cent. in dividends. Experience has now shown us that we would have been wiser to have been more conservative in the distribution of dividends.

With regard to the outlook for the present year, it would very much appear as if we were faced with a similar situation to the past year, as there is no improvement in the disturbed state of the country—on the contrary, it continues to be going from worse to worse, and, at the present moment, the price of yarn is about Tls. 20 a bale below replacing cost based on present prices of cotton. On the other hand, there seems to be a world shortage of cotton, and consequently it would appear as if yarn prices must eventually go up considerably. As far as we are concerned, our cotton position is a very favourable one, and if we could only hold on sufficiently long to our manufactured yarn and cloth, we should eventually do well. It is, however, obvious that, with an overvalued stock of fourteen lakhs, we shall be compelled, before very long, to make heavy sales of yarn unless we can obtain further capital, and it is for this reason that your Directors have decided to obtain your consent to the issue of 220,000 shares of the unissued capital of the company. The breakup price based on the balance sheet, as submitted to you, is over Tls. 13 a share.

EXTRA CAPITAL.

Your directors have given very careful consideration as to what would be the best means of obtaining further capital, and, having ascertained that it would be impossible to place a large issue of preference shares except on very onerous terms, decided that the best means of procuring this extra capital was to issue 220,000 ordinary shares at a premium of Tls. 3 per share, i.e., at Tls. 6 per share. If the whole of this issue is taken up, the breakup price of the balance sheet will exceed Tls. 13 a share, and as we have been able to get the new issue underwritten at Tls. 6, it was decided to recommend this course. It has been suggested that the same result might

be obtained by making a new issue at par. This would, however, necessitate the issue of 440,000 new shares in order to liquidate the company's overdraft, for which purpose the articles of the company would have to be altered to permit of this increase in the registered capital of the company. It is obviously more favourable to the company to issue a smaller number of shares at a premium, if it is possible to do so, which possibility has been converted into a certainty, as the whole of the new issue has been underwritten.

Turning to the accounts, you will notice on the asset side, under freehold land, an increase of Tls. 250,000. We have had the company's land revalued recently, and as the figures were very much higher than those shown in the last balance sheet, we have taken in part of this increase, which has been added on the other side of the account to the special reserve account, thus bringing our various reserve funds up to the handsome total of Tls. 1,250,000.

Spinning Plant and Machinery.—The item of Tls. 548,141 represents new machinery installed in order to bring our preparation machinery up to date. We have also spent Tls. 50,238 on repairs and renewals, which have been written off in the working account. In 1930, the bedplate of the main engine was cracked and had to be replaced. It has since been in service for over two years, but was showing signs of giving out, and we thought it advisable to install a new one before our weaving plant was in full working order. For this purpose, the mill had to be stopped for about six weeks and the opportunity was taken at the same time of renewing the flooring in the old mill and readjusting the spinning machinery, which is now in first-class working order. The cost of all of these items was included in the above item of Tls. 59,238 written off in the working account.

Weaving Plant and Machinery.—This now stands at Tls. 265,038.86, showing an addition of Tls. 129,652.62, which represents the final costs of our weaving plant, as also of certain blanket looms which we have installed. We have at present a complete plant of 40 looms, all of which are now working.

Buildings.—These now show a total of Tls. 777,888.55. There has been an increase during the year of Tls. 66,194.47, which represents the final payments on the buildings erected for the weaving plant and new offices.

Stocks of Yarn, Cloth and Waste, Tls. 1,132,051. Of this, Tls. 725,303.20 was represented by 3,399 bales of yarn, which have since been paid for and delivered. I would specially draw attention to this, as it has been suggested that these stocks might be made up of unsaleable yarn.

FUTURE PROSPECTS.

As regards the immediate future, I have already referred to this in dealing with the question of increased capital. The yarn market is at present so bad, due no doubt to the disturbed state of the country, especially in the province of Szechuan, that the native mills have from to-day lost down 50 per cent. of their spindles for a period of two months and, unless an improvement sets in during that period, intend stopping night work altogether. The shutting down of so large a number of spindles must eventually influence the yarn market and mills which have sufficient capital to carry on will eventually derive the benefit thereof.

As already stated, our cotton position is favourable, as we are covered for forward and, consequently, if you pass the resolution which will, later in the year, be submitted to you, and thus provide the company with adequate working capital, I think the future prospects for this year are decidedly promising.

That Gentlemen, is all I have to say, but before putting the resolution before the meeting, I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

HONGKONG OPPOSITION.

Mr. G. Ellis—Very few of the general managers approached by the Hongkong shareholders to postpone this meeting for a week so as to allow them to be represented. The Chairman—The reply is in the affirmative.

Mr. Ellis—Did you not instruct local brokers to keep to fact that the meeting would be held on the 19th away from Hongkong until after Monday, the 12th inst.

The Chairman—That is not so. The board did receive a letter from Hongkong about the rumors of the new issue in which surprise was expressed. It was stated that they expected a dividend for 1932. A reply was given that the matter had been laid before the board but they were not authorized to give any information which was not given to other shareholders.

Mr. Ellis—What was your idea in so doing?

The Chairman—The question has nothing to do with the resolutions. We do not feel impelled to answer. The meeting is held in accordance with the articles of association.

Mr. Ellis—Then said he would ask further questions on account of the hostile attitude of the directors.

The Chairman—There is no hostility on the part of the directors.

any individual shareholder. The procedure that has been adopted is, in the opinion of the board and the general managers, in the best interests of the company.

The following resolutions were then proposed and carried unanimously:

That the statement of accounts for the 12 months ending December 31, 1932, as audited and presented, be passed.—Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. C. H. Rutherford.

That the election of Mr. C. H. Rutherford and Mr. E. T. Byrne to the board of directors be confirmed.—Proposed by Mr. C. A. Skinner, seconded by Mr. T. G. Drakeford.

That Mr. E. A. Mackay be re-elected auditor of the company at a remuneration of Tls. 1,250.—Proposed by Mr. W. G. Pirie, seconded by Mr. Ellis Hayim.

The last resolution, proposed by the chairman and seconded by Mr. A. J. Welch, was as follows:

That 220,000 of the unissued ordinary shares of the company be offered in the first instance at a premium of Tls. 3 per share to the members of the company in proportion as nearly as may be to the number of ordinary shares held by them respectively on April 16, 1933, and upon the footing that the full amount of each share taken up plus the premium (making together Tls. 6 per share) shall be paid to the company on acceptance of the offer, and that such offer be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the member is entitled, and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by payment will be deemed to be declined, and that the directors be empowered to dispose of the shares not taken in response to such offer as they consider expedient in the interests of the company.

MR. ELLIS'S PROTEST.

Mr. G. Ellis, of Hongkong—I rise to oppose the resolution and in doing so I wish to say a few words on behalf of the Hongkong shareholders of your company, who are of opinion that your board of directors have not given them the consideration that they are entitled to, especially as you are no doubt aware that the public of Hongkong to-day holds over one half of the shares of your company. This can be vouched for by the register, in addition to which there are many shares not yet transferred, due to the short notice given for this meeting. The first advertisement of this meeting appeared in the local press on Monday, the 12th inst. I believe notices were posted to shareholders a day or so previously, but these, of course, were of no use to Hongkong shareholders. Apparently the articles of association have been adhered to as to the notice of the meeting, but it also seems as if particular care has been taken to prevent Hongkong shareholders from being represented at the meeting. On all previous occasions 14 days' notice of the annual general meeting has been given and it seems a little strange that, when the majority of shares are held by Hongkong shareholders and a very important resolution such as is before the meeting to-day is to be proposed, the usual notice should be cut down by one half.

I arrived here last Tuesday, having no idea the meeting was called for to-day. I saw Mr. Arnhold and told him that a number of Hongkong shareholders wished to send up proxies so as to be represented at the meeting and pointed out the large number of shares held in Hongkong. I suggested a postponement or adjournment pending their arrival. This was refused. With great difficulty a number of proxies did arrive just in time to be deposited 48 hours before the meeting, but there are still a large number which have not arrived in time. Before it was known whether the proxies could have been in time or not, formal application for postponement or adjournment was made to the general managers for adjournment in case they did not arrive. This was turned down. Now, gentlemen, what can be the reason of this except that it has been deliberately intended to shut out the votes of Hongkong shareholders? If every thing was square and above-board, a longer notice of the meeting should have been given, or when it was pointed out that the notice given was insufficient to enable Hongkong shareholders to be represented an adjournment should have been agreed to. I believe there has been a deliberate attempt to prevent Hongkong shareholders from voting on this resolution. I hold proxies for some 40,000 shares and but for the fact that one shareholder of 12,000 had not registered himself I should have held proxies for over 50,000 shares and there are proxies for another 40,000 coming from Hongkong. At this Hongkong shareholders' meeting, which is a play-acting and a sham, I have written with a pen and ink a protest against the manner in which the meeting is being conducted. I have written it in the face of the opposition of the majority of the shareholders who, for the sake of the shareholders, have had an opportunity of voting

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against it. There has been an attempt to stifle opposition and I say the general managers are not doing their best for the company and are not treating the shareholders fairly.

The Chairman, in putting the resolution to the meeting, said the Company required funds and required them soon. The proposal which the resolution covered was the best means of raising those funds. Mr. Ellis had proposed the same resolution and had written it in the face of the opposition of the majority of the shareholders who, for the sake of the shareholders, have had an opportunity of voting

impossible except on very onerous terms.

Mr. Ellis demanded a poll, which was eventually taken, the result being 81,000 shares for and 60,000 shares against the resolution, which was accordingly carried.

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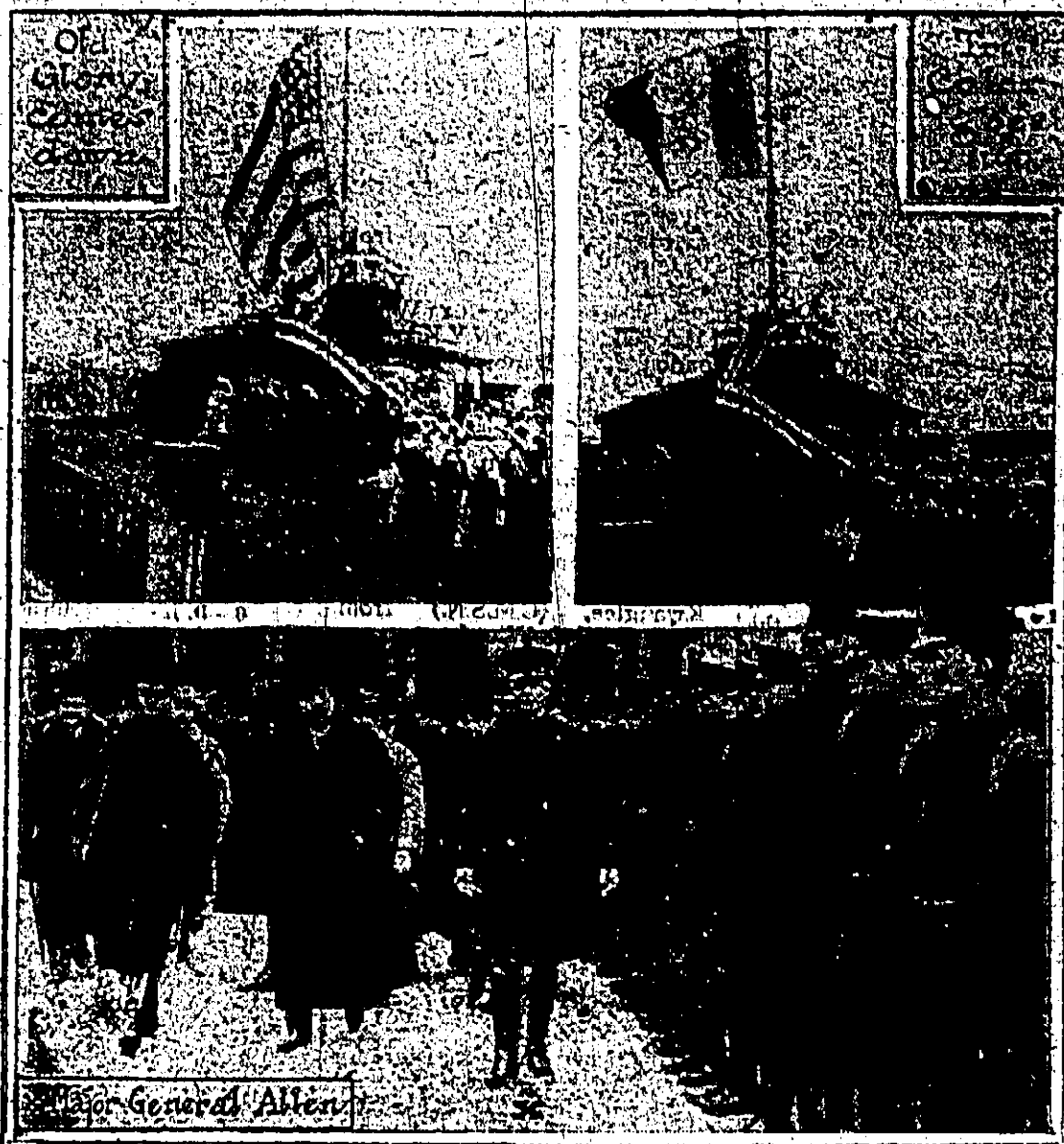


After hooking a giant sailfish, measuring 7 feet 6 inches in length, Mrs. Thomas, prominent social leader, lost him for a moment, but her hook caught in the fish's sail, and then followed a 3-hour battle, in which she and her companion were towed four miles out into the open sea. They eventually landed the fish.

Florence May Dibble.



"She is—to use the best-known of her eleven names—Florence May Dibble, who has been arrested and charged with receiving regular Government allotments from four of her six soldier husbands. A detective is seated next to her while standing behind her is Ralph Curry, with whom she was said to have been living.



American evacuation of Ehrenbreitstein, the immense fortress at the Coblenz bridgehead, by the forces under command of Major-General H. T. Allen. General Allen, with M. Tirard, French Commissioner, is shown at his final inspection of his troops, while the lowering of the Stars and Stripes and the hoisting of the French tricolour also is shown.



Having seen John Drinkwater's "Abraham Lincoln" presented here by the Courtneidge-Holloway Company, Hongkong will find these photographs interesting. Published on the occasion of Lincoln's birthday, February 12—they include the famous picture made by Brady, who photographed the Civil War under fire. The painting shows Lincoln delivering his renowned Gettysburg speech. Robert Lincoln, the President's son, is the only surviving member of the Lincoln family.



Philip Elting has been named Collector of the Port of New York. Robert W. Bliss, now Third Assistant Secretary of State, has been appointed Minister to Sweden, succeeding Ira Nelson Morris, who has resigned. J. Butler Wright, member of the American Commission to the Brazilian Centennial Exposition, has been appointed Third Assistant Secretary of State, to succeed Mr. Bliss.



William Morris, 20-year-old son of a general store-keeper, with his bride, pretty 19-year-old daughter of W. Morgan Shuster, President of the Century Publishing Company, and former financial adviser to the Persian Government. They were snatched on their honeymoon. The young couple eloped. A former elopement resulted in the bride being taken home by her irate parents.

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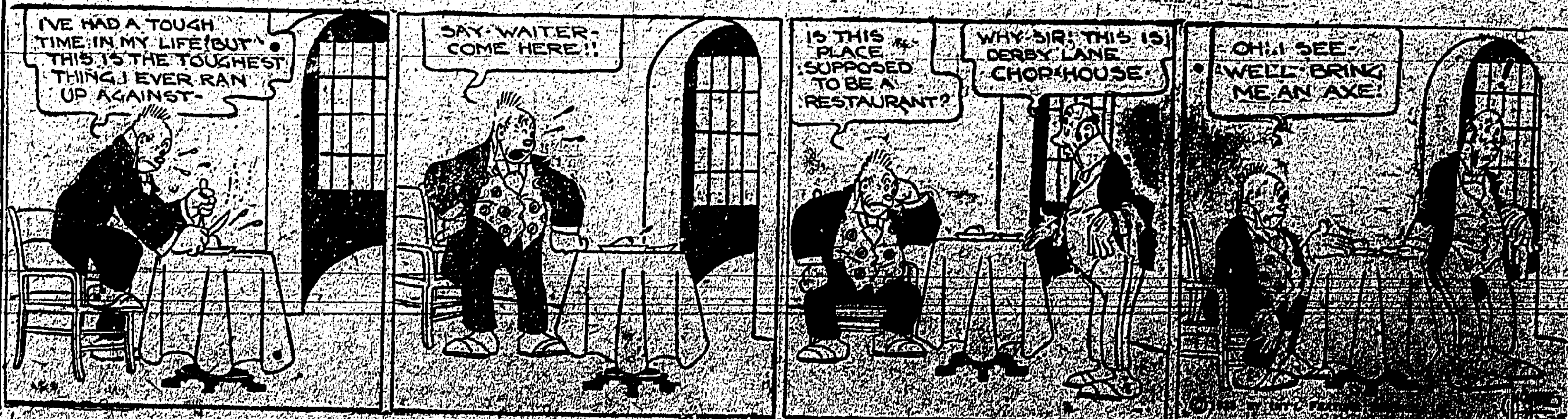
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The tide-table given below has been
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in London from the results of the analysis
of observations taken by means of an
automatic tide-recording machine in the
Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui
during the years 1920-21.

The zero of the table corresponds with
the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty
Chart which has been found to be 4 feet
below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the
side gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard
add 2 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge
at Lamoot Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet
4 inches to the heights given in the table.

March 28 to April 3, 1923.

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On Good Friday, the 30th March, Saturday, 31st March, and Easter Monday,
the 2nd April, the G.P.O. and the Branch Post Offices will be open as follows—
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Shanghai and Japan Paul Locat. 2.30 a.m.
Takao Macassar Maru 11 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Dhanush-
kodi, Aden, Egypt, Brindisi 1 p.m.

Philippine Islands 2.30 p.m.
Saigon 2.30 p.m.
Takao 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Dhanush-
kodi, Bombay and Aden 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 30.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung Tenka Maru 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow Talkas Maru 9 a.m.
Shanghai 9 a.m.
Bangkok 9 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya 9 a.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 31.

Hobow and Pakhoi Hough 9 a.m.
Hobow 9 a.m.
Straits and Egypt 9 a.m.

Sunday, April 1.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung Kajo Maru 9 a.m.

Monday, April 2.

Amoy, Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Hobow, Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Hobow, Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.

Tuesday, April 3.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Dhanush-
kodi, Aden, Egypt, Brindisi 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands 2.30 p.m.
Saigon 2.30 p.m.
Takao 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Dhanush-
kodi, Bombay and Aden 5 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow 9 a.m.
Shanghai 9 a.m.
Bangkok 9 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya 9 a.m.

Thursday, April 5.

Hobow and Pakhoi 9 a.m.
Hobow 9 a.m.
Straits and Egypt 9 a.m.

Friday, April 6.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow 9 a.m.
Shanghai 9 a.m.
Bangkok 9 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya 9 a.m.

Saturday, April 7.

Hobow and Pakhoi 9 a.m.
Hobow 9 a.m.
Straits and Egypt 9 a.m.

Sunday, April 8.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow 9 a.m.
Shanghai 9 a.m.
Bangkok 9 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya 9 a.m.

Monday, April 9.

Amoy, Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Hobow, Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Hobow, Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.

Tuesday, April 10.

Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Dhanush-
kodi, Aden, Egypt, Brindisi 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands 2.30 p.m.
Saigon 2.30 p.m.
Takao 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Bangkok 2.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai 2.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Mar-
ques, South Africa, India via Dhanush-
kodi, Bombay and Aden 5 p.m.

Wednesday, April 11.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow 9 a.m.
Shanghai 9 a.m.
Bangkok 9 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya 9 a.m.

Thursday, April 12.

Hobow and Pakhoi 9 a.m.
Hobow 9 a.m.
Straits and Egypt 9 a.m.

Friday, April 13.

Swatow, Amoy and Keelung 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow 9 a.m.
Shanghai 9 a.m.
Bangkok 9 a.m.
Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya 9 a.m.

Saturday, April 14.

Hobow and Pakhoi 9 a.m.
Hobow 9 a.m.
Straits and Egypt 9 a.m.

Sunday, April 15.

WEATHER REPORT.

March 28 12h. 35m.—Pressure
has increased considerably at Guam
moderately at Vladivostok and
Shanghai, and slightly over Tongking,
slight to moderate decreases are
general elsewhere. Depressions are
shown to the north of Hokkaido and
over Annam. The typhoon is situated
about 300 miles to the W.N.W. of
Guam probably moving on a N.W.
W.N.W. track.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day 0.